



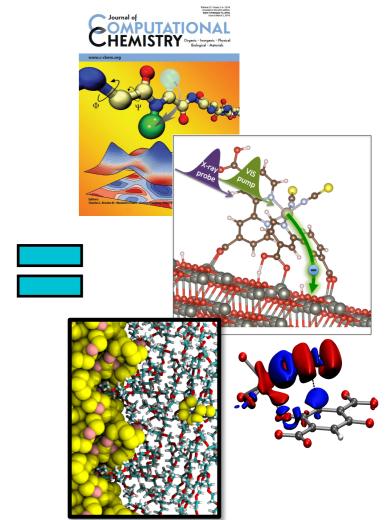


High Performance Computing at The Molecular Foundry









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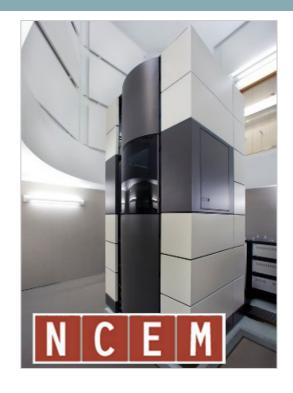
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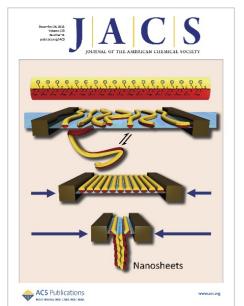


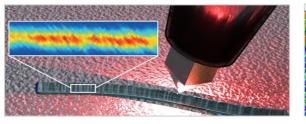


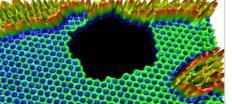


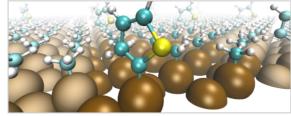


- Knowledge-based user facility that provides state-of-the-art expertise and instrumentation in nanoscale science in a safe environment
- Multidisciplinary research institute at the forefront of nanoscale science



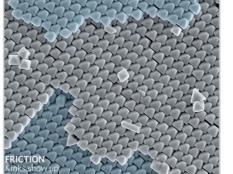


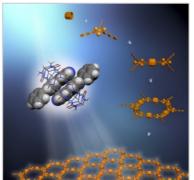














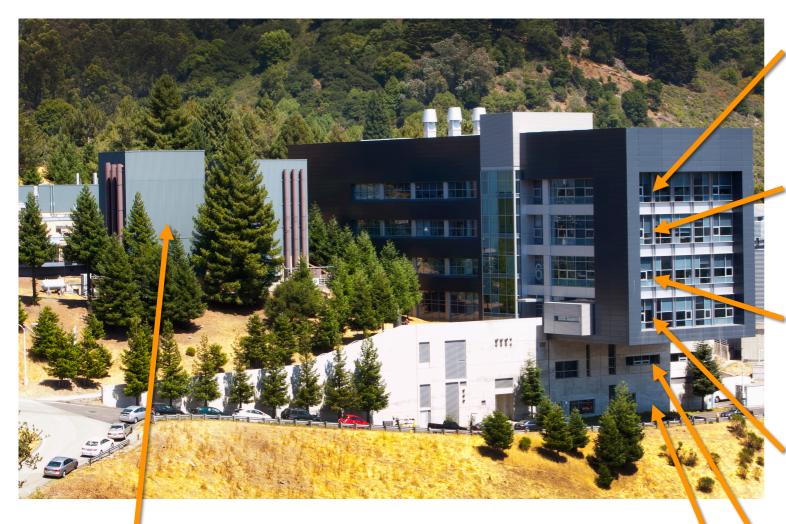
Foundry Expertise & the 50/50 Model







Molecular Foundry Scientific Organization



National Center for Electron Microscopy (NCEM)
Electron microscopy and nanocharacterization

Organic and Macromolecular Synthesis Soft materials: organics, macromolecules, polymers and their assemblies

Biological Nanostructures

New bio-materials; new probes for bioimaging; synthetic biology techniques

Inorganic Nanostructures

Science of semiconductor, carbon and hybrid nanostructures

Theory of Nanostructured Materials
Studies to guide understanding of new principles, behavior and experiments

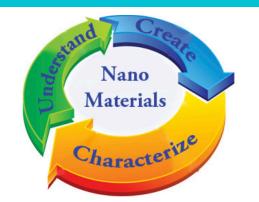
Nanofabrication

Advanced lithographic and thin-film processing techniques

Imaging and Manipulation of Nanostructures

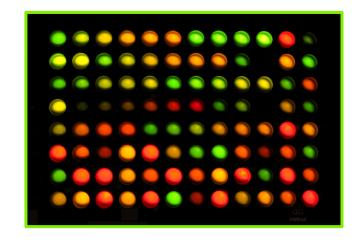
Characterization and manipulation of nanostructures

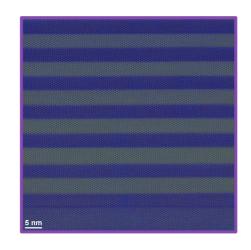




Scientific Research Themes

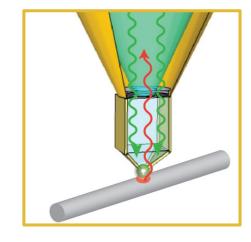
Combinatorial Nanoscience

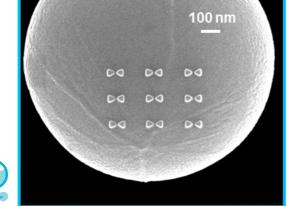




Functional Nanointerfaces

Multimodal Nanoscale Imaging



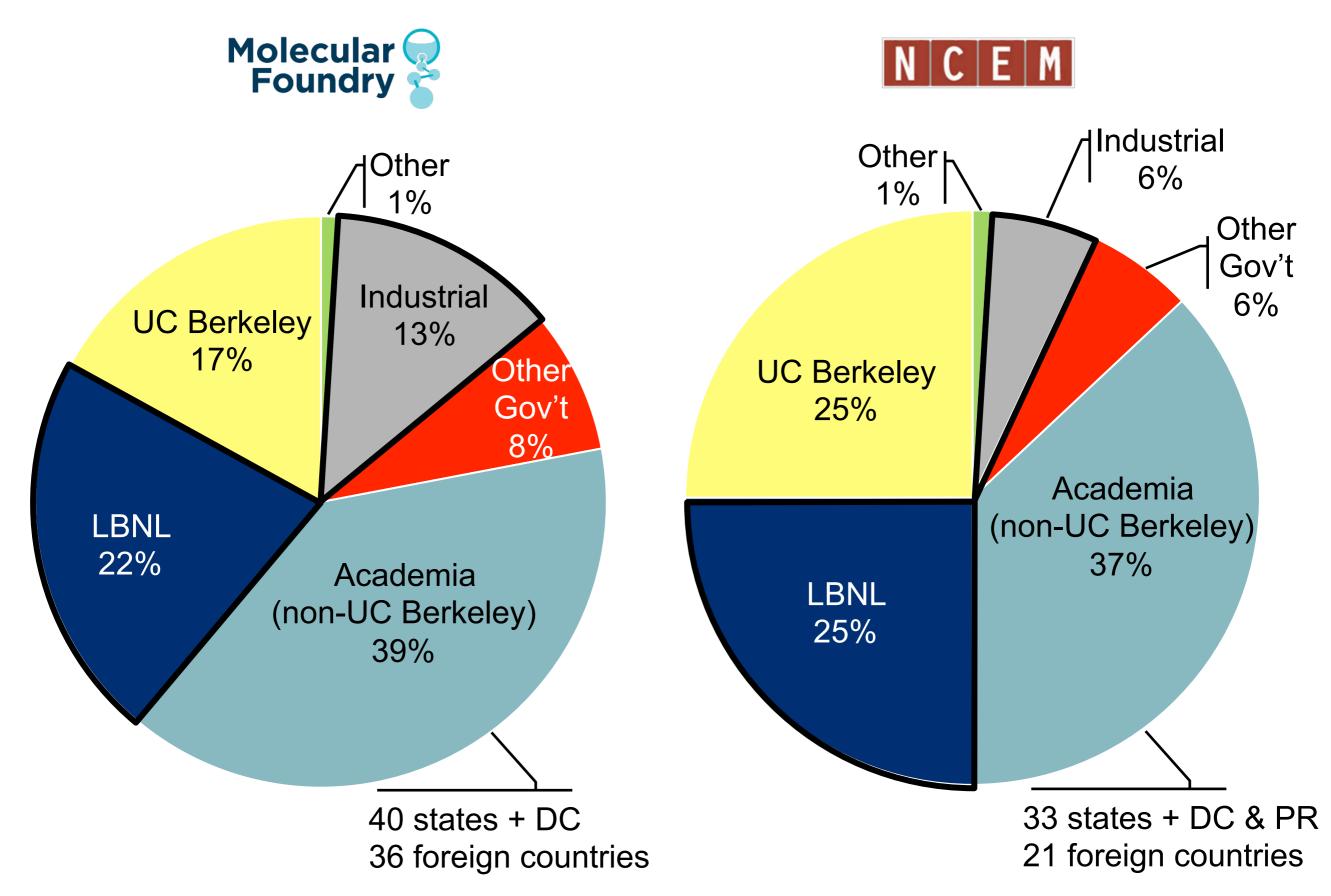


Single-Digit Nanofabrication and Assembly





User Demographics: FY10-present



Recent Industry Users





































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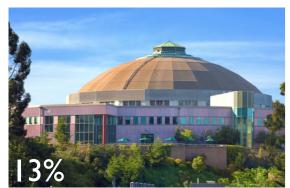






Connection to Other Parts of LBNL

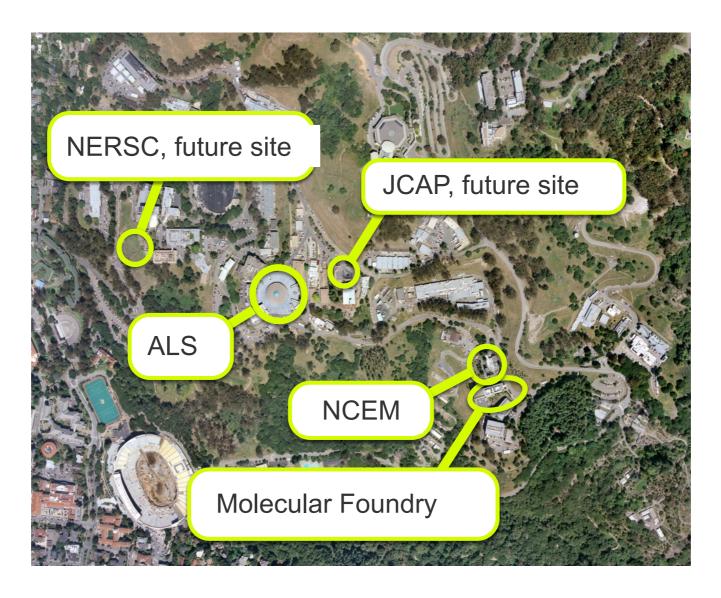
Over 37% of Molecular Foundry publications involve use of other LBNL user facilities and programs (FY12-current)



Advanced Light Source (ALS)



National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (NERSC)





National Center for Electron Microscopy (NCEM)

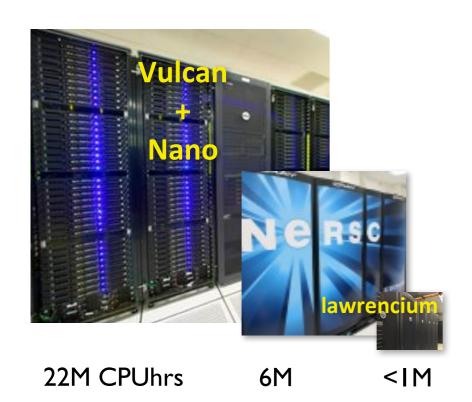


Other LBNL programs





High Performance Computing Services (HPCS) and dedicated compute clusters



24/7 access to dedicated resources vital for development and application

Test-bed for new technology



courtesy: Gary Jung, HPCS





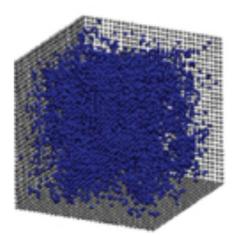




Theory of Nanostructured Materials Facility

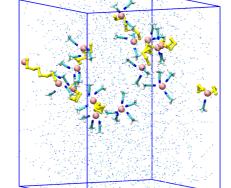
... from electrons to assemblies

Developing fundamental understanding of energy-relevant phenomena and materials at the nanoscale, with a focus on electronic transport, computational spectroscopy, and self-assembly.

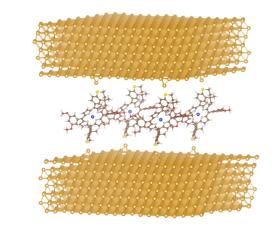


Statistical mechanics
Ab initio forcefield development
Coarse-grained modeling

Whitelam



Electronic core-level excitations Molecular Dynamics Simulated X-ray Spectroscopy Prendergast



Electronic excited state methos Electron transport Weak interactions

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Recognized hard problems:

Weak interactions
Strong correlations
Excited states and dynamics
Nonequilibrium phenomena
Self-assembly and growth

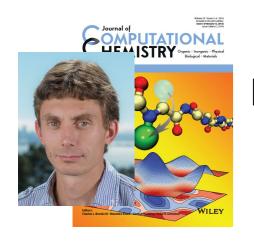


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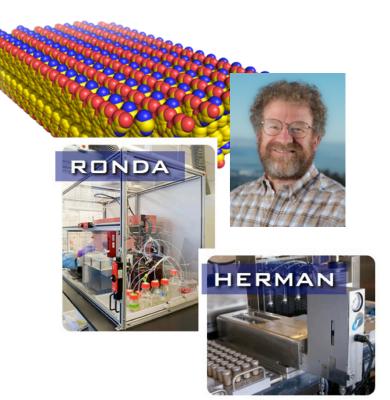


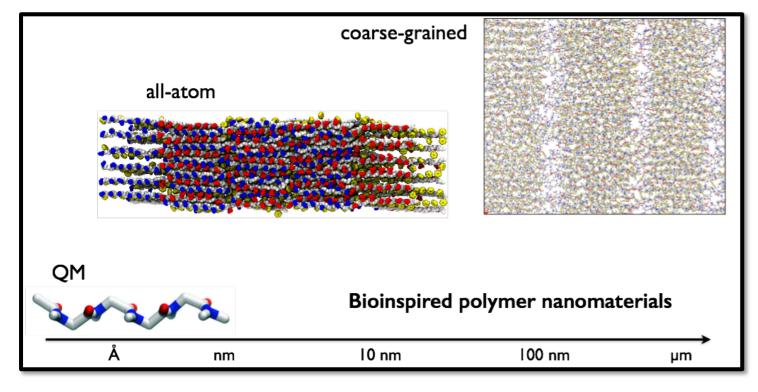
Modeling Biomimetic Polymer Self-Assembly

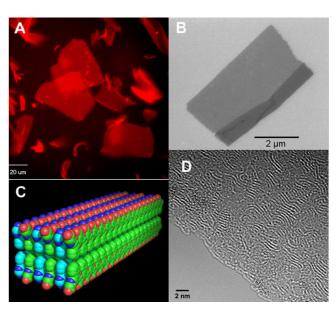
Automated Biopolymer Synthesis Robots Foundry staff Ron Zuckermann



New Force-Fields for Peptoid Simulation Foundry staff Steve Whitelam







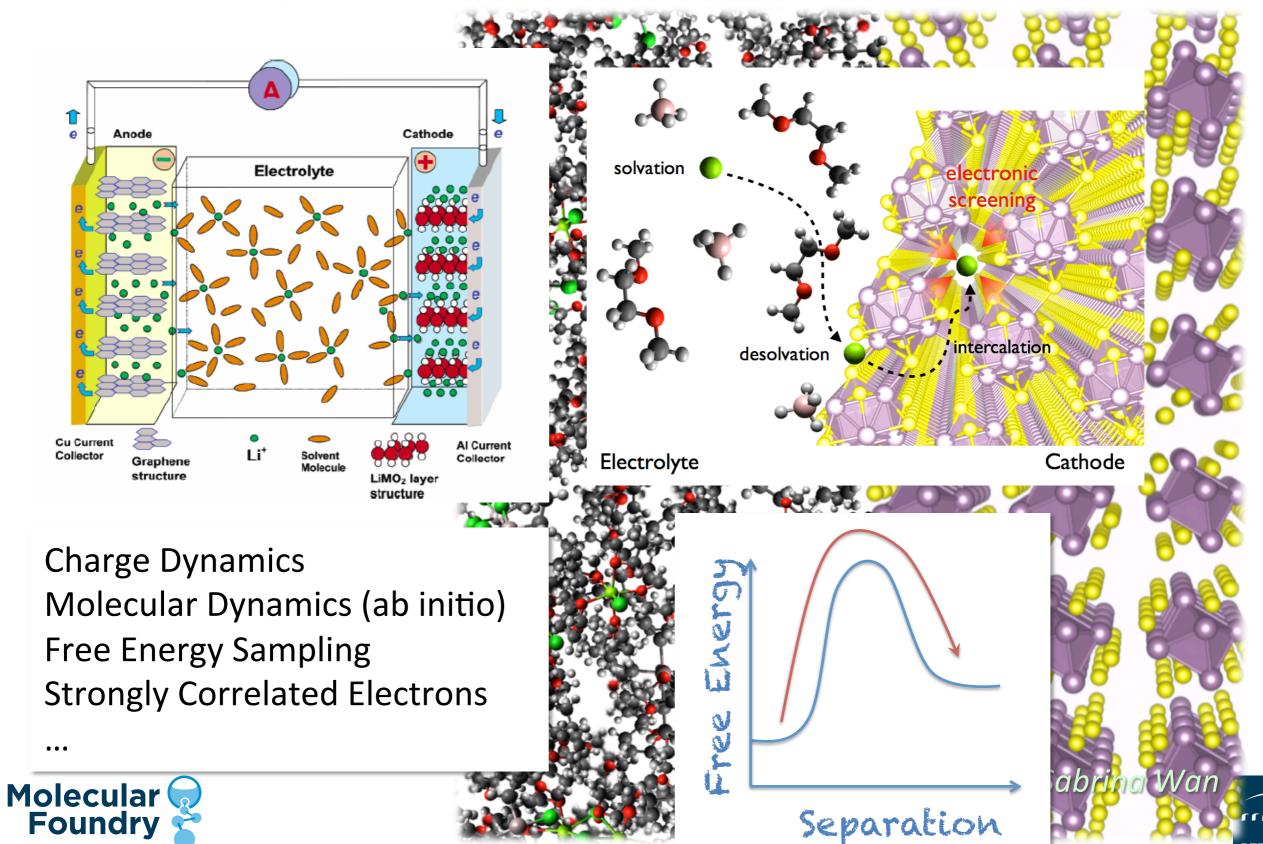




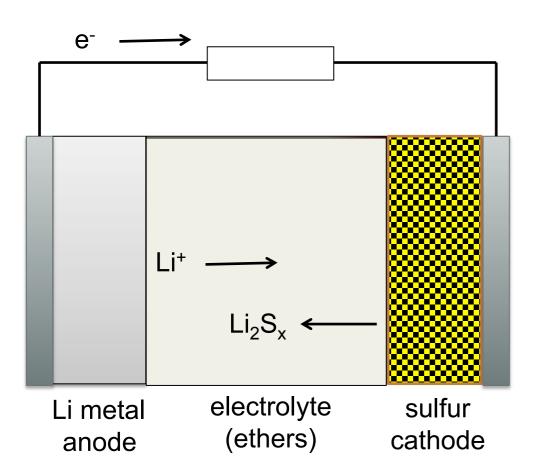


Battery Function at Working Interfaces

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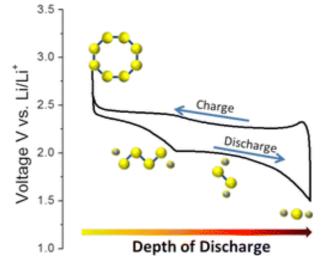
Typical demise of lithium-sulfur battery



- Discharge: $16Li^+ + 16e^- + S_8 -> 8Li_2S$
- Stepwise(?): $2Li^+ + 2e^- + S_8 \rightarrow Li_2S_8$... Li_2S_6 , Li_2S_4 , Li_2S_2 ... LiS_3 (radicals)

Li-S batteries Issues

- Both Li₂S and S₈ are insulators conducting contact
- Multi-step reactions at cathode: creates various Li₂S_x



Evers, Nazar, Acc. Chem. Res. (2012)

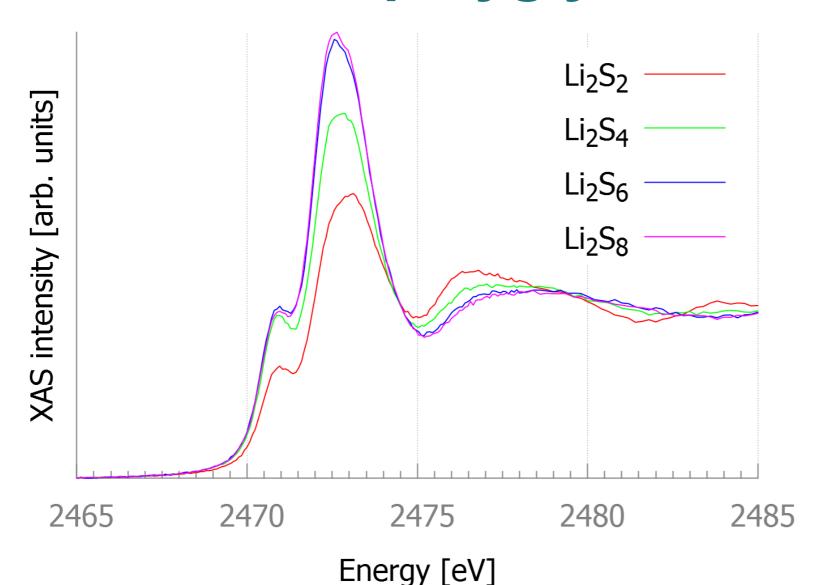
- Li₂S_x species are soluble in electrolyte
- Parasitic shuttle reactions at anode

Problem: Loss of active cathode material Infinite charging





Experimental S K-edge XAS spectra of Li₂S_x dissolved in polyglymes



Stoichiometric mixtures of sulfur (S₈) and lithium sulfide (Li₂S)

$$Li_2S + (x-1)/8 S_8 -> Li_2S_x$$

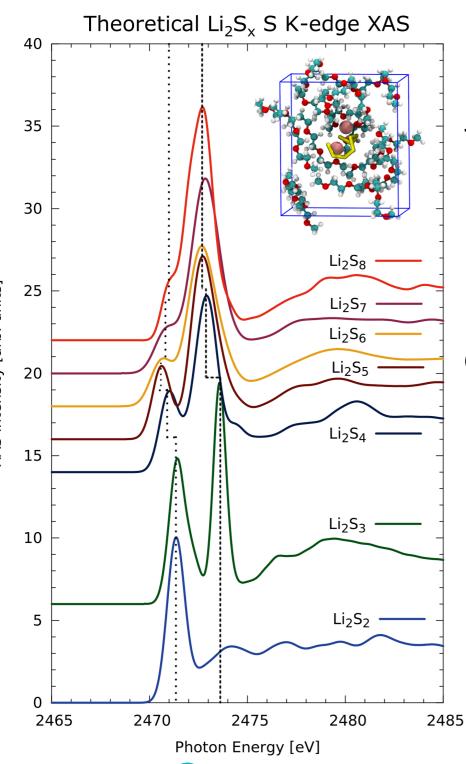


Can we associate a given spectral fingerprint (color of XAS) with the existence of the corresponding molecular species?





Conclusions: S K-edge XAS of Li₂S_x in TEGDME



Two main features:

pre-edge – <u>terminal sulfur atoms</u>

main-edge – <u>internal sulfur atoms</u>

General red-shift with increasing length

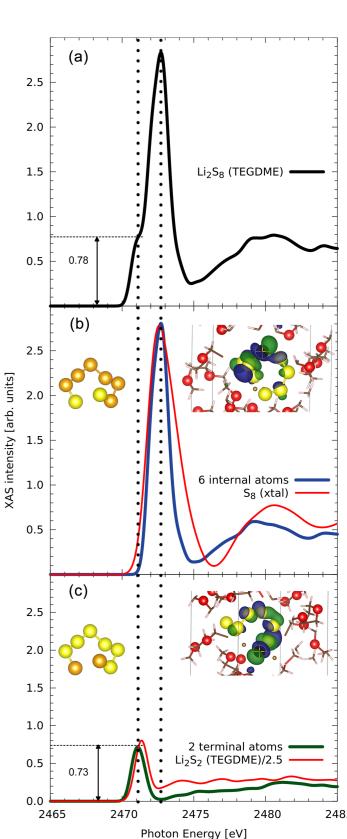
Increasing S-S bond lengths

Increase in intensity ratio

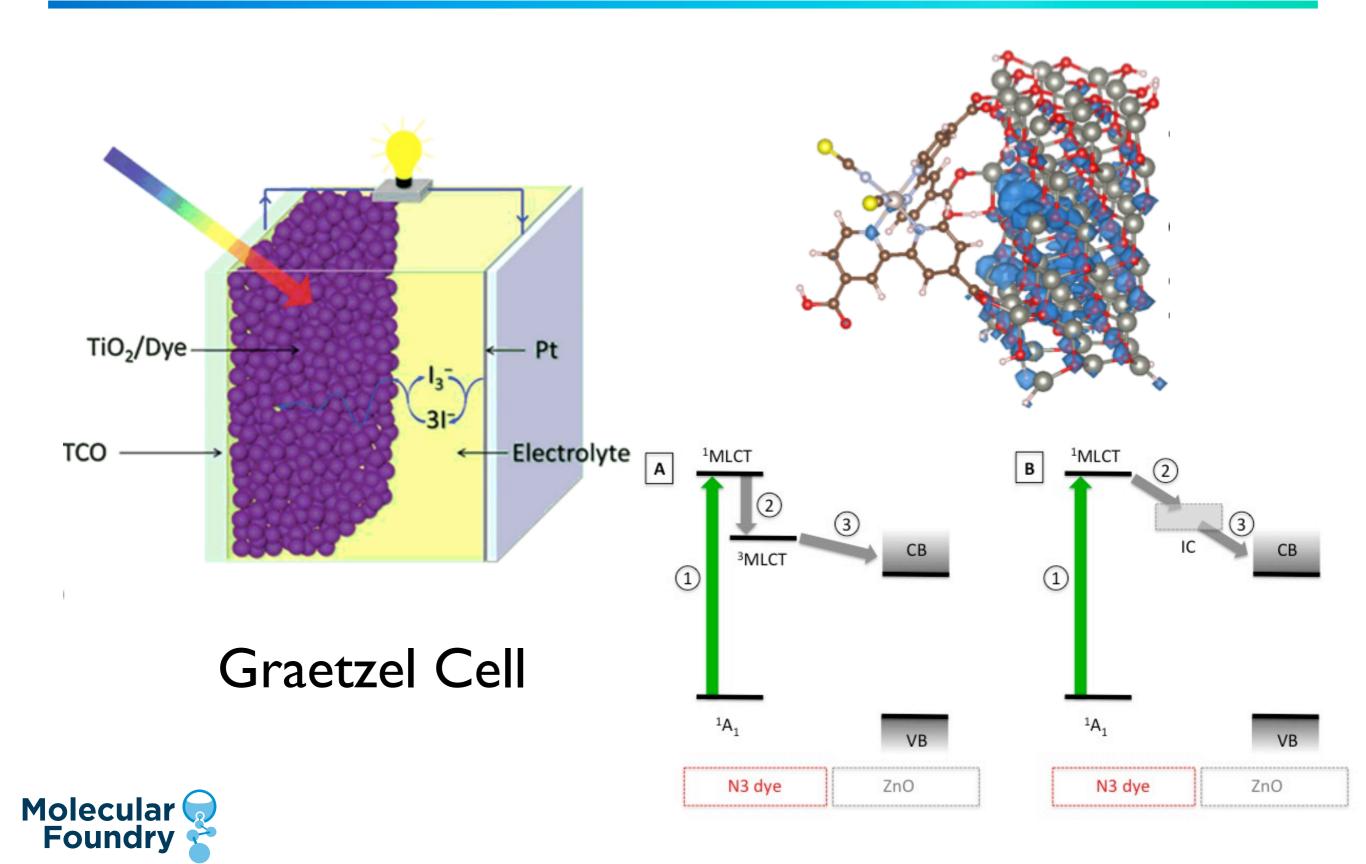
More internal -S- atoms



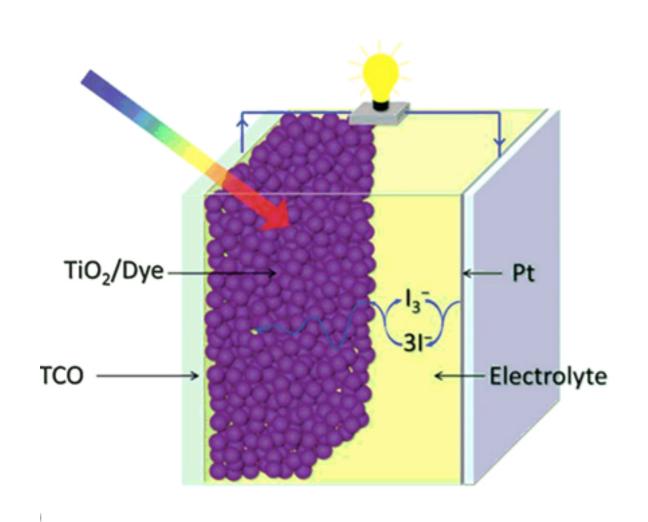
Pascal, et al. J. Phys. Chem. Lett. 2014, 5, 1547-1551



Functionalized semiconductors for solar harvesting: Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells (DSCs)



Exploring charge dynamics at the dye-substrate interface (Oliver Gessner (LBNL), Foundry User Project)







Using pump probe X-ray spectroscopy:

- explore charge state of specific atoms
- correlate with charge transfer
- extract device dynamics

Requires ultrafast light source

X-ray Free Electron Laser (LCLS@SLAC)

Requires well controlled sample

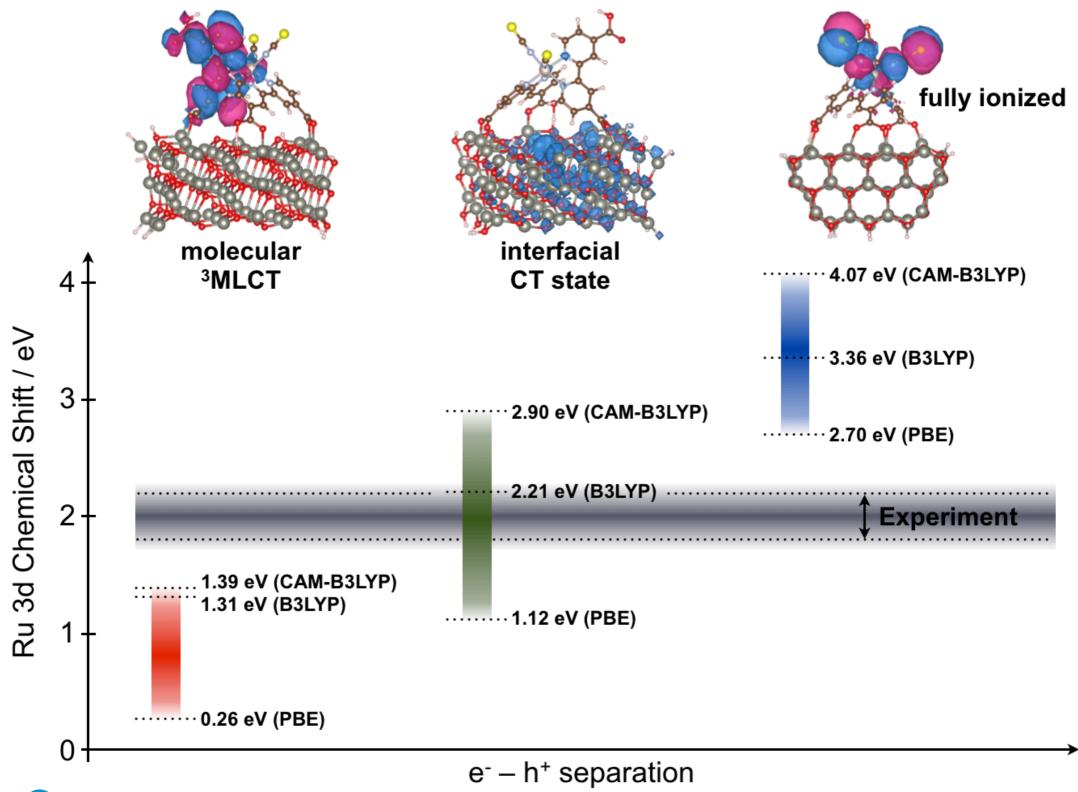
- DSC's inherently complex

What insights can theory/simulation provide?





Hybrid functionals point to "Interfacial State" interpretation

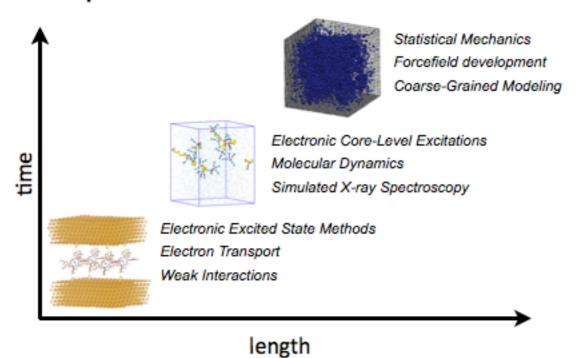






Drivers for Theory and Simulation at the Foundry

Expertise from electrons to assemblies



Algorithmic and Use-Inspired Development



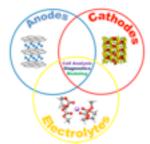








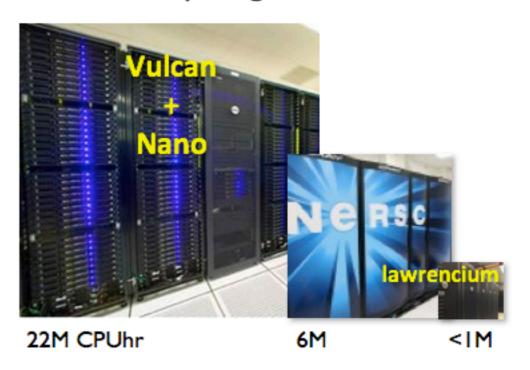




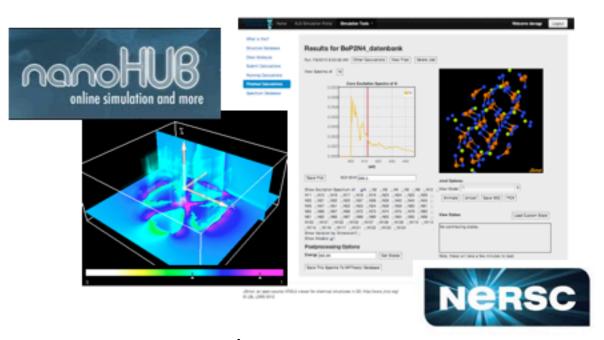




Computing Resources



Online Tools and Web-based HPC

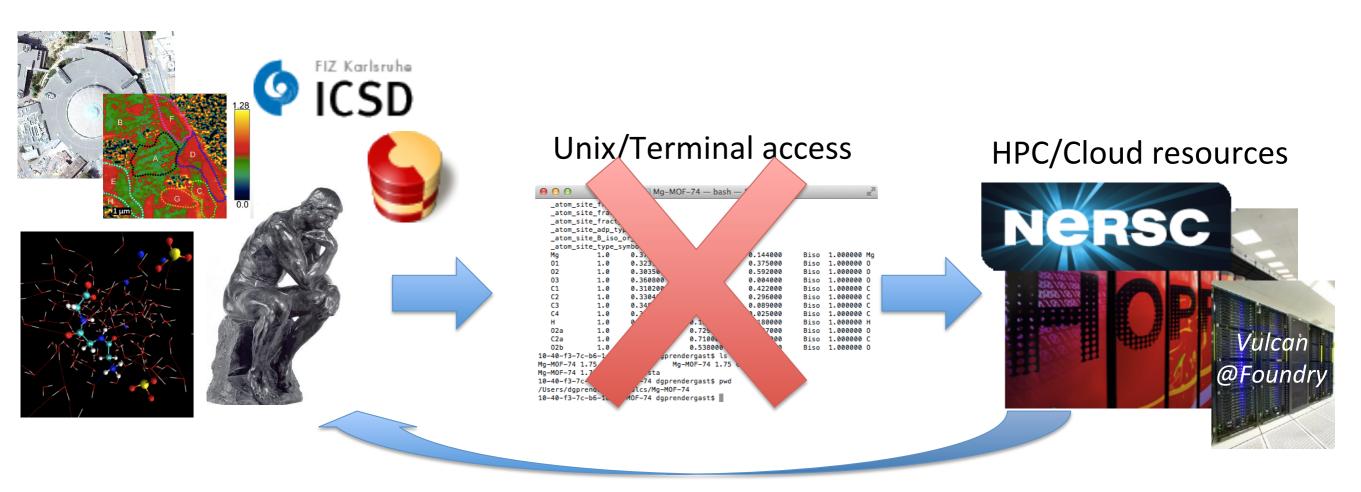


User Support/High Throughput

Web-based tools

Goal: To enhance User experience and throughput by providing access to unique computational tools running on high performance computing (HPC) resources

Specific Tool: WebXS – interpretation of X-ray absorption spectra



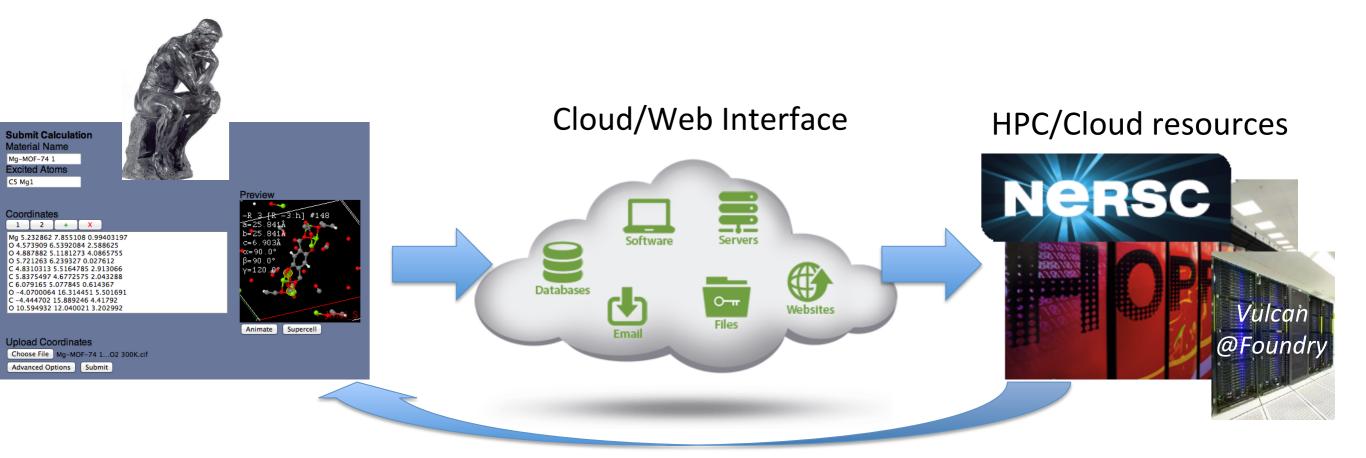




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What is this?

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Energy 302.15

Save This Spectra To MFTheory Database

Simulation Tools -

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Structure Database

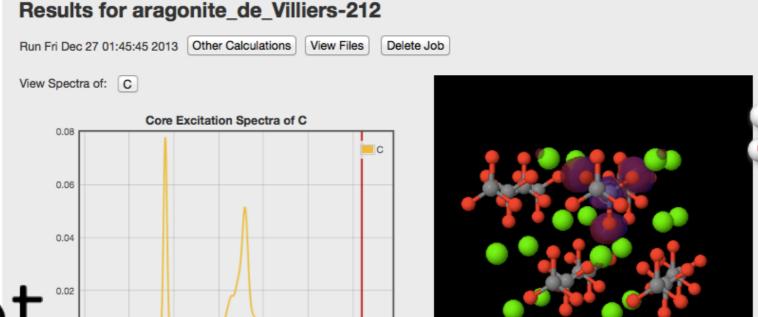
Draw Molecule

Submit Calculations

Running Calculations

Finished Calculations

Spectrum Database



http://sourceforge.net/ projects/jsmol/

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http://www.flotcharts.org/

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